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Mr. James Page Executive Director Illinois Law Enforcement Alarm System 1701 E. Main Street Urbana, IL 61802

Dear Mr. Page:

Please accept our sincere thanks for your participation as a member of the Local, State, Tribal, and Federal Preparedness Task Force. The Task Force mission was daunting in scope and complexity, especially when given only six short months to complete. Your contribution of time and expertise to the Task Force deliberations helped to provide Congress with meaningful recommendations to improve national preparedness and reinforce the principle of intergovernmental collaboration among homeland security and emergency management stakeholders.

The Task Force report *Perspective on Preparedness: Taking Stock Since 9/11* was very positively received within Congress and by Secretary Janet Napolitano and Administrator Craig Fugate. Each has undertaken a process of review to determine how best to apply your recommendations using their respective authorities.

We commend you for your service and look forward to working with you in the future.

Sincerely,

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